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**TERMINAL DISCLAIMER TO OBVIATE A DOUBLE PATENTING
REJECTION OVER A PRIOR PATENT**Docket No. 15GS5362-1/YOD
(GEMS:0074)

In re Application of: Gopal B. Avinash
 Application No. 09/476,684
 Filed: December 30, 1999
 For: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ENHANCING DISCRETE
PIXEL IMAGES BY ANALYZING IMAGE STRUCTURE**

Petitioner, GE Medical Systems Global Technology Company, LLC, is the owner of 100 percent interest in the instant application. Petitioner hereby disclaims, except as provided below, the terminal part of the statutory term of any patent granted on the instant application, which would extend beyond the expiration date of the full statutory term defined in 35 U.S.C. 154 and 173, as shortened by any terminal disclaimer, of prior Patent Nos. 6,757,442; 6,556,720; and 6,208,763. Petitioner hereby agrees that any patent so granted on the instant application shall be enforceable only for and during such period that it and the prior patent are commonly owned. This agreement runs with any patent granted on the instant application and is binding upon the grantee, its successors or assigns.

In making the above disclaimer, petitioner does not disclaim the terminal part of any patent granted on the instant application that would extend to the expiration date of the full statutory term as defined in 35 U.S.C. 154 and 173 of the prior patent, as presently shortened by any terminal disclaimer. In the event that it later expires for failure to pay a maintenance fee, is held unenforceable, is found invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, is statutorily disclaimed in whole or terminally disclaimed under 37 CFR 1.321, has all claims cancelled by a reexamination certificate, is reissued, or is in any manner terminated prior to the expiration of its full statutory term as presently shortened by any terminal disclaimer.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 3.73, the undersigned has reviewed the evidentiary documents, specifically, the Assignment of the instant application GE Medical Systems Global Technology Company, LLC, which has been recorded at Reel/Frame 010671/0235, and certifies that, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, title of the instant application is in the name of GE Medical Systems Global Technology Company, LLC.

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10/5/2005

Date

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Signature

Dick S. Yoder, Attorney for Assignee
 Sealed or printed name and title if applicable

- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the issuance fee of \$130.00 and any additional fees which may be required, to Deposit Account No. 07-0845; Order No. 15GS5362-1/YOD (GEMS:0074).
- PTO suggested wording for terminal disclaimer was:
- unchanged changed (if changed, an explanation should be supplied).
 Paragraph in bold added for compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 3.73

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